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In re application of:

Masao TAKEUCHI et al.

Serial No.: 09/602,814

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Filed: June 23, 2000

For: Ball Loading Apparatus (amended)

Art Unit: 1725

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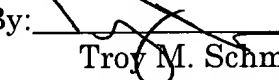
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These documents clearly establish that the filing date for this application is June 23, 2000, but a PTO error has occurred causing the filing date to now be reflected in PTO records as November 20, 2000. Correction is respectfully requested.

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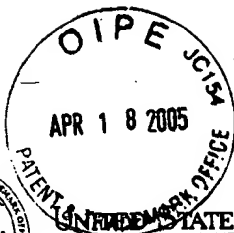
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